

IN SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

JANUARY 25, 1848.

Read, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. BAGBY submitted for consideration the following

RESOLUTIONS:

1. *Resolved*, That Congress has no constitutional power to abolish or to prohibit slavery in any State or territory in this Union.

2. *Resolved*, That conquest is a legitimate mode of acquiring territory, and so recognised by the laws and the universal practice of civilized nations.

3. *Resolved*, That if territory is hereafter acquired by the United States, either by treaty or conquest, it shall not be competent for the treaty-making power or Congress to exclude slavery from such territory, either by treaty stipulation or by act of Congress; but such territory shall be equally free and open to the citizens of all the United States, without any limitation, prohibition, or restriction in regard to slaves, or any other description of property whatsoever.

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